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Sir:

In order to comply with Rule 56, Applicants are submitting herewith a copy of the Supplementary European Search Report issued above-identified in the application corresponding to the application. Also enclosed are copies of the references cited and PTO Form-1449. Further discussion of the references is not deemed necessary and the same is timely filed as can be seen from the mail date of September 25, 2001.

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